

## GUNFIRE WORKS FAST TRIAL AT GRAVESEND

Negotiates Handicap Distance in 2:11.

## OTHER SHOWY WORK-OUTS

Contradictory Reports Current as to Chances of the Great Hermis Starting in the Classic Brooklyn.

It was work day at the Gravesend track for the Brooklyn Handicap yesterday, and several of the fastest candidates were sent out to go the mile and one-quarter journey. The track was dry and fast.

Trainer John Rogers brought over from Sheepshead Bay his three eligibles—Whitney's Gunfire, Goldsmith, and Irish Lad. Gunfire's move was the most impressive of the trio. She worked a mile and a quarter in 2:11. Her fractional time was as follows: One-eighth, 0:13; quarter, 0:26½; three-eighths, 0:39½; one-half, 0:53; five-eighths, 1:06½; three-quarters, 1:18½; seven-eighths, 1:31; mile, 1:43; mile and one-eighth, 1:56½; mile and one-quarter, 2:11.

**Irish Lad's Trials.**  
Irish Lad had two trials. He went a mile and a quarter first in 2:14½. This move was evidently unsatisfactory, and in company with his stable companion, Matchless, Rogers sent him a six-furlong spin, which he accomplished in 1:15¾.

The second move was made with much more freedom and ease than the first trial. The fractional time of his mile and a quarter was: One-eighth, 0:13; one-quarter, 0:27; three-eighths, 0:41; one-half, 0:53½; five-eighths, 1:07½; three-quarters, 1:19½; seven-eighths, 1:33; mile, 1:46; one and one-eighth, 1:59½; mile and one-quarter, 2:14½.

Goldsmith worked six furlongs easily in 1:10½. His head was in the air at all stages of the race.

Trainer Bob Smith sent Artistic the handicap race in 2:10. His move was very impressive, as he accomplished his task without apparent effort.

The fractional time made by him was: Eighth, 0:12; quarter, 0:25; three-eighths, 0:37½; half, 0:50½; five-eighths, 1:03; three-quarters, 1:15½; seven-eighths, 1:29 1-5; mile, 1:42 3-5; mile and one-eighth, 1:56½; mile and one-quarter, 2:10.

As to Hermis.  
Reports that Hermis would start in the Brooklyn Handicap tomorrow were revived at Morris Park yesterday. E. R. Thomas, the colt's new owner, it was said, is anxious to start his purchase. The majority of trainers refused to believe Hermis will start. They said the colt had not been prepared for the race, and Trainer James McCormick had never asked him for a fast trial over a mile and a quarter, the distance of the handicap. Without such a trial, Hermis, they said, would be physically unable to go the journey.

Advance Guard will not start in the Brooklyn Handicap, his owner, Alexander Shields, said yesterday. The cool weather is held responsible for the decision to keep the horse in his stall during the cold snap the horse failed to train properly, and rather than start him when not physically perfect, his owner decided to let his stablemate, Hunter Raine, take his place.

## HUNT INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED BY STEWARDS

His Ride on Gould in Jumping Contest Was Conspicuously Bad.

The stewards of the Steeplechase and Hunt Association yesterday indefinitely suspended William Hunt, a steeplechase jockey.

Hunt had the mount on Joseph Schladt's aged gelding Gould in the first race, a jumping contest over seven furlongs of hurdles, at Morris Park. Gould was second choice in the betting, but finished outside the purse. Hunt's riding was conspicuously poor. He was carried wide at all the turns and ran about one hundred yards farther than there was any possible occasion for in going around his field.

Presumably the stewards were not satisfied with the explanation he made when called to the stand, for it was made known shortly afterward that his license had been indefinitely suspended. This means that Hunt in all probability will be at leisure for some time so far as riding on Eastern tracks is concerned. He is the first steeplechase rider to incur the displeasure of the stewards this year.

Hunt has been riding jumping horses for a number of years in various parts of the country. His work in the East has been ragged this year.

## CAPITAL YACHT CLUB TO HOLD ANNUAL RACES

Arrangements are being perfected for the annual races of the Capital Yacht Club, of the Memorial Day, and if the interest shown in the event is any criterion, it should prove a marked success. The races will take place in the vicinity of Chincuncun Creek. Work on the boats, toward fitting them up for the races, has been going on for several days, and is still in progress.

The boats and their owners will leave this city Friday night, and anchor down river until the time set for the race. As yet the list of entries is not completed.

## INDICTMENTS REPORTED BY GRAND JURY

The grand jury has reported indictments against the following named persons for the offenses mentioned: Edward Blair, violation of the policy law; Anne Powers, robbery; Sarah Moody, larceny; Eliza Campbell, violation of policy law; Susie Brooks, larceny; George Frisbie, alias Luke Barrett, alias George Burke, and William Moxley alias William Hunter, false pretenses.

## FIVE THOUSAND MEN WILL SING IN CHORUS

Washington Societies Going to the Baltimore Saengerfest.

The twentieth triennial Saengerfest of the Northeastern Saengerbund, which begins on June 14, will take to Baltimore more than 5,000 singers, and between fifty and one hundred thousand visitors. President Roosevelt and his Cabinet have promised to attend. The United States cruisers Prairie and Topeka will probably be sent to Baltimore to represent the navy on the occasion.

The Washington chorus, which will enter the competition of cities, will be composed of 149 singers, members of the three Washington singing societies, the Saengerbund, the Arion Singing Society, and the Germania Maennerchor. This chorus is now practicing twice a week, under the direction of Prof. Henry Xander, of the Washington Saengerbund, and the Washington singers have great hopes of capturing the prize—a massive bronze bust of Handel. The song chosen by them to sing in the city contest is "Die Nacht," by Abt.

**Officers of the Chorus.**  
The Washington chorus is known by the name of "The United Singers of Washington." The officers are: President, John Waldman, of the Saengerbund; treasurer, Herman Dalkor, of the Arion; secretary, W. F. Meyers, of the Saengerbund.

The director of the Saengerfest is Prof. David Meisner, of Baltimore. He will lead the chorus of 5,000 male voices and an orchestra composed of 150 of the best musicians in the East, many from the Metropolitan Opera House in New York. He is now traveling from city to city in the Northeastern States testing the various choruses and impressing upon them the points of his direction. He has already been to Washington, and has complimented the chorus here upon its excellent work. He will return here for a final rehearsal before June 14.

The grand concerts and singing contests will be held in the new armory of the Fifth Regiment, which will seat an audience of 20,000 persons, and allow 5,000 persons on the stage. The stage will be erected in the form of an amphitheater, and will be 200 feet wide and 90 feet high and 45 feet high in the rear. A novel feature of the concerts will be the singing of choruses by 4,000 children to be selected from the public schools of Baltimore.

The Saengerfest Association was organized by Leopold H. Wieman, who, at a meeting of the United Singers on Friday evening, July 12, 1901, was unanimously elected president. Mr. Wieman was given full authority to select his own assistants, subject to the ratification of the United Singers.

Interest in the Saengerfest is not by any means confined to the German-American citizens of Baltimore, but extends to all the people interested in the cultivation of good music and in advancing the material prosperity of the city. The Legislature at its last session appropriated \$125,000 to hurry the completion of the new Fifth Regiment armory, so that it could be used for the Saengerfest, and the city council of Baltimore appropriated \$25,000 to illuminate the city during the week of the festival.

**Kaiser Wilhelm Prize.**  
The Kaiser Wilhelm prize, to be contested for triennially by the German singing societies composing the Northeastern Saengerbund, is a magnificent production of the silversmith's art. It is a solid silver statuette of a German minnesinger, or German minstrel of the Middle Ages. The total height of the statuette is two feet seven inches, while the width at the base proper is twelve and three-quarter inches.

The origin of the Saengerfest might be traced with interest back to the days of the "Minnesinger," or German minstrel, so beautifully depicted in the Kaiser prize. The love of music is indissolubly associated with the German, and when he came as an immigrant to the shores of America he brought with him the love of music which he had cultivated and cherished in his beloved fatherland. It was ever to him a delightful care-de-stroyer and a relief from the arduous duties and responsibilities of his daily life in the workshop, store or office.

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